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Examining Group 1631

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: Colyer et al.

--EXPEDITED PROCEDURE--

Serial No.: 09/259,658

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Examiner: V. Portner

Art Unit: 1645

Entitled: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR  
MONITORING THE MODIFICATION  
STATE OF A PAIR OF POLYPEPTIDES

Atty. Docket No.: 10069/1040 {formerly 4256/79245}

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Washington, D.C. 20231

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action, dated April 19, 2001, in the above-identified application.

Kindly consider the following amendments and remarks.

In the Claims:

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for detecting covalent modification of a polypeptide by analyzing a sample for the presence of a modifying enzyme comprising the steps of:

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